

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 56th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE

Call to Order: By **CHAIRMAN JOE BARNETT**, on February 9, 1999 at 3:00 P.M., in Room 437 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Joe Barnett, Chairman (R)
Rep. John L. Holden, Vice Chairman (R)
Rep. Darrel Adams (R)
Rep. Paul Clark (D)
Rep. Bill Eggers (D)
Rep. Kathleen Galvin-Halcro (D)
Rep. Mary Anne Guggenheim (D)
Rep. Donald L. Hedges (R)
Rep. Verdell Jackson (R)
Rep. Rick Jore (R)
Rep. Monica Lindeen (D)
Rep. Gay Ann Masolo (R)
Rep. Sam Rose (R)
Rep. Brennan Ryan (D)
Rep. Frank Smith (D)
Rep. Bob Story (R)
Rep. Bill Thomas (R)
Rep. Cliff Trexler (R)

Members Excused: Rep. Ralph Lenhart, Vice Chairman (D)
Rep. Rick Dale (R)

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Joyce Bankhead, Committee Secretary
Todd Everts, Legislative Branch

Please Note: These are summary minutes. Testimony and discussion are paraphrased and condensed.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing(s) & Date(s) Posted: HB 373, HB 440, SB 9
Posted 2/4/99

Executive Action: SB 9 DO CONCUR
SB 171 DO CONCUR as amended

HEARING ON HB 440

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

Rep. Matt Brainard, HD 62.

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 0 - 8.1}

Proponents' Testimony:

None

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 8.1 - 8.4}

Opponents' Testimony:

Paul Sihler, FW&P **EXHIBIT**(agh32a01)

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 8.4 - 13.2}

Janet Ellis, MT Audubon

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 13.2 - 14.3}

Denise Roth Barber, MT Sierra Club **EXHIBIT**(agh32a02)

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 14.3 - 18.6}

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

Rep. Rose to Barber and Sihler

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 18.6 - 24.3}

Reps. Story and Guggenheim to Brainard

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 24.3 - 28.7}

Rep. Jackson to Sihler referred to Ken Erickson

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 28.7 - 30.7}

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 0 - 2}

Rep. Lindeen to Brainard

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 2 - 5.5}

Closing by the Sponsor:

Rep. Brainard closed the Hearing on HB 440.

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 5.5 - 9.8}

HEARING ON HB 373

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

Rep. Cindy Younkin, HD 28.

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 9.8 - 13.8}

Proponents' Testimony:

Phil Olson, Gallatin Co. Commissioner

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 13.8 - 21}

Marty Lambert, Attorney Gallatin Co.

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 21 - 27}

Mona Jamison, Gallatin County **EXHIBIT**(agh32a03)

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 27 - 28.5}

Opponents' Testimony:

None

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 28.5 - 28.9}

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

Reps. Smith and Hedges to Olson

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 28.9 - 29.6}

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 0 - 1.1}

Rep. Rose to Rep. Younkin

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 1.1 - 4.8}

Reps. Rose, Story, and Jackson to Olson

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 4.8 - 11.7}

Reps. Jackson and Guggenheim to Lambert

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 11.7 - 17.4}

Reps. Hedges, Trexler, and Smith to Younkin

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 17.4 - 23.2}

Rep. Thomas and Holden to Jamison

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 23.2 - 27.7}

Rep. Holden to Lambert

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 27.7 - 28.4}

Closing by the Sponsor:

Rep. Younkin closed the Hearing on HB 373.

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 28.4 - 30}

HEARING ON HR 2

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

Rep. Joan Hurdle, HD 13.

{Tape : 2; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 0 - 3.4}

Proponents' Testimony:

Bryan Cameron, Alternative Crop Coalition

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{Tape : 2; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 3.4 - 12.4}

Senator Jon Tester, on behalf of himself.

{Tape : 2; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 12.4 - 15.3}

Andrew Savage, on behalf on himself

{Tape : 2; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 15.3 - 19.3}

Lorna Karn, MT Farm Bureau

{Tape : 2; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 19.3 - 20.5}

Bob Stephens, MT Grain Growers and MT Farmers Union

{Tape : 2; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 20.5 - 22.1}

Shannon Doane, teacher and local retailer

{Tape : 2; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 22.1 - 24.9}

Opponents' Testimony:

NONE

{Tape : 2; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 24.9 - 25}

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

Rep. Adams to Cameron

{Tape : 2; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 25 - 27}

Closing by the Sponsor:

Rep. Hurdle closed the Hearing on HR 2.

{Tape : 2; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 27 - 28.7}

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HR 2

Motion: REP. MASOLO moved that HR 2 DO PASS.

Discussion: Rep. Thomas would like to wait on Executive Action.
Rep. Masolo withdrew the motion.

{Tape : 3; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 0 - 1.6}

HEARING ON SB 9

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

Senator Walter McNutt, SD 50.

{Tape : 3; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 1.6 - 7.5}

Proponents' Testimony:

Bud Clinch, Director of DNRC **EXHIBIT**(agh32a06)

{Tape : 3; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 7.5 - 14.5}

Lorna Karn, MT Farm Bureau

{Tape : 3; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 14.5 - 16}

Mike Murphy, MT Water Resource Assn.

also for Ron deYong, Farmer's Union

{Tape : 3; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 16 - 17}

John Bloomquist, MT Stockgrowers Assn.

{Tape : 3; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 17 - 18.4}

Opponents' Testimony:

NONE

{Tape : 3; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 18.4 - 18.7}

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

NONE

{Tape : 3; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 18.7 - 18.9}

Closing by the Sponsor:

Senator McNutt closed the Hearing on SB 9.

{Tape : 3; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 18.9 - 20}

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 9

Motion/Vote: REP. ROSE moved that SB 9 BE CONCURRED IN. Motion carried 20-0.

{Tape : 3; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 20 - 21}

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 171

Motion: REP. HEDGES moved that SB 171 BE CONCURRED IN.

Discussion: Rep Story has an amendment. **EXHIBIT**(agh32a07)

Motion: REP. STORY moved that SB 171 BE AMENDED.

Discussion: Reps. Clark, Guggenheim, and Story.

Vote: Motion carried 20-0.

{Tape : 3; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 21 - 26}

Motion: REP. CLARK moved that SB 171 BE AMENDED.

EXHIBIT(agh32a08)

Discussion: Rep. Clark explained the amendment. Reps. Jore, Adams, Story, and Barnett.

Vote: Motion failed 3-17. Clark, Eggers and Galvin-Halcro voting aye.

{Tape : 3; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 0 - 4.8}

Motion: REP. CLARK moved that SB 171 BE AMENDED.

EXHIBIT(agh32a09)

Discussion: Rep. Clark explained the amendment. Reps. Guggenheim and Story.

Vote: Motion failed 3-17. Clark, Eggers and Glavin-Halcro voting aye.

{Tape : 3; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 4.8 - 10.8}

Motion: REP. TREXLER moved that SB 171 BE AMENDED.

Discussion: Rep. Trexler's amendment takes out "in possession of valid hunting license". Rep. Story asked information of Todd Everts. Reps. Rose, Trexler, and Jore discussed.

Vote: Motion carried 20-0.

Discussion: Rep. Hedges and Thomas. Information given by Todd Everts. *{Tape : 3; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 10.8 - 17.3}*

Discussion on amended bill:

Reps. Story, Guggenheim, Barnett, Jackson, Galvin-Halcro, Thomas,

and Clark.

Motion/Vote: REP. HEDGES moved that SB 171 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED. Motion carried 16-4. Reps. Clark, Galvin-Halcro, Smith and Trexler voting no.

{Tape : 3; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 17.3 - 28.8}

{Tape : 4; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 0 - 1.9}

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 440

Motion: REP. GUGGENHEIM moved that HB 440 BE TABLED.

Discussion: Rep. Rose and Ryan. Rep. Guggenheim withdrew motion.

{Tape : 4; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 1.9 - 4.6}

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 5:54 P.M.

REP. JOE BARNETT, Chairman

JOYCE BANKHEAD, Secretary

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EXHIBIT (agh32aad)